

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph:

[0039] In general, full face mask systems used with positive airway pressure devices usually have a built in anti-asphyxia valve. Therefore, if the device stops delivering pressure, the anti-asphyxia valve allows the patient to breath room air rather than rebreathing exhaled air. The embodiments described above ~~do not include an anti-asphyxia valve although they could be~~ modified to include such. For example, the filter cap and/or the vent itself could include an anti-asphyxia valve 80 (Figure 11). If an anti-asphyxia valve is not included, the mask system should preferably be used on in a controlled environment and strictly supervised.